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## NEXT MEETING

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JUNE						
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

## SPEAKER

BOB CAMPBELL will be our June speaker. The topic will be "MORMON JUBILEE." Afterwards we will be setting up for the Coin Show. PLEASE COME & JOIN US!



## NEXT MEETING :

The next meeting will be held Thursday  
JUNE 25, 7:00 at:

THE OLYMPUS HOTEL

161 W. 600 S.

SALT LAKE CITY

There will be free parking in the rear of the building, use the central elevator. ROOM # BRYCE ESCALANTE (down stairs).


# FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear N.U.T.S.,

I would like to thank John Dodge for his interesting talk on Utah license plates and the wonderful display, I am sure that every one who attended found it quite interesting. Thank you again.

Just a reminder that our June meeting will be held at the Olympus Hotel located at 161 West 600 South in Salt Lake City, there is free parking in the rear of the building, also, use the central elevator to go to the basement. Bob Campbell will be our speaker, he will be talking about the Mormon Jubilee, after we will be setting up the tables for the coin show that weekend, please remember that this show is what keeps our token club going through the year, so come and support the show. We also need more people to sign up for the hospitality table, call Julie and let her know if you can help.

This months dig is tentative set for July 5th, we would like to go to Toplift out in Tooele County, If you would like to join us please let us know.

  
President



**BE SURE TO ATTEND!!**

**"COME ONE COME ALL"**

# **SALT LAKE COIN and TOKEN SHOW**

**JUNE 26, 27 & 28**



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**SUNDAY—10 A.M.-4 P.M.**



**SIGN UP TO HELP  
TODAY!**

# NOTES AND DOODLES

## EDITORS' DESK :

Our sincere sympathy to Bill Turpela and his family: his mother passed away. The burial was June 11 1992.



I would like to thank Sarah Lewis, and Bob Campbell for their contributions to this months TOKEN HUNTER. We want to here from you, these articles from club members always spruce up the TOKEN HUNTER. Just send them to me two weeks prior to the next meeting.



Welcome to fellow collectors and other vistors. Thank you for coming to our show. Please visit with each of the dealers here. Also, please visit our exhibit area. Several members of the National Utah Token Society and other collectors have placed items from their collections on display. Please vote for the display you like best. The display that receives the most votes will be awarded our Peoples Choice Award.





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### **Salt Lake Coin Show to Display Rare Coin**

The Salt Lake Coin and Token Show will display on June 26, 27, and 28 one of the legendary coins in numismatic history, a 1943-S copper cent. The cent is exceedingly rare, with only 4-6 known, and being in the finest condition of those known. The cent is so unique because in 1943 only steel cents were to be minted to compensate for the great wartime need for copper. The current owner of the piece is Bob Campbell, owner of All About Coins in Salt Lake City. He recently acquired the coin in Long Beach, California.

The history of the 1943-S copper cent began in the San Francisco Mint, where it is speculated that a few bronze planchets (metal disks prior to striking) from 1942 made their way, accidentally, into a press that was minting the 1943 steel cents. The struck copper cents were then released into circulation with the steel cents. All known copper 1943 cents have been circulated, meaning they were spent as one cent before being discovered. Those that spent them as a penny would be interested in knowing that they now command a healthy five-figure price tag. The first two examples of the cent were discovered by two young men in about 1947, one of which was in change from a high school cafeteria. After their discoveries, almost everyone in the country was searching their change for a 1943 copper cent. It was also rumored at the time that Ford Motor Company would give a new car away to anyone finding such a coin.

The 1943-S copper cent now ranks with the few other famous numismatic rarities, such as the 1804 Silver Dollar, of which 15 are known, and the popular 1913 Liberty Head Nickel, of which 5 are known. Again, it can be exclusively viewed at the upcoming Salt Lake Coin Show.

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## FRISCO GET-A-WAY

Those club members who were unable to escape to Frisco over the Memorial week-end really missed out on an enjoyable trip.

The weather was perfect. Well, some of us did end up with rosy cheeks and sun-burned necks and shoulders.

The silence was broken by the frequent "beep-beep" of the metal detector or the rattling of someone shaking their screen. Dust was no stranger to anyone in the immediate area. A perfect sun-screen? Some tokens, coins, and marbles were some of the more meaningful finds. Oh, Joe did happen to dig up a few toads! Watch out Kermit!

One rattler was spotted or better put, about stepped on by Ann ( a new member to the NUTS Club). This didn't seem to phase her as she just kept on detecting. Many people had ther six-shooters strapped to their sides, just in case such an encounter would arise. Just like the old west!!

We stayed in Milford, but those who chose to "ruff" it need not be envious. After a hard day of digging the shower was great but the bed was as hard as a rock. We prayed for daylight to come to save us from this stone slab!!! Our sore backs were soon forgotten as we packed up the screen and shovels to begin another day of treasure hunting. We never grew tired of digging.

Some people found another coin or token to add to their collection. Some were treating their poor sun-burned areas (I bet their sporting a nice tan now). Some were grateful that they wouldn't be eating dust anymore. BUT guaranteed, we all left with the anticipation of WHEN CAN WE COME BACK!!

Sarah Lewis

PS. Joe and I would like to express how much we enjoyed going to Frisco and hunting and visiting with the club members. Even though our finds were not memorable, a special thanks goes to Bill, Sue, Geneal, Barry, Rhonda, Ann and her husband for making the week-end exceptional. Thanks.



# WANTED

## UTAH TRADE TOKEN COLLECTORS

Do you collect coins, currency, checks, stock certificates, or other exchange media? Did you know that many Utah merchants issued their own "coins" (trade tokens)? Did you know that these tokens circulated in at least 250 Utah towns (probably many more)? Did you know that these tokens were good for everything from 5 cents in merchandise, to a cigar, a glass of whiskey, a stick of dynamite, a Sunday newspaper, or a lumber camp meal?

Are you interested in history? Does Utah's mining boom tickle your fancy? What of her ghost towns? How about the Mormon cooperative movement or the nostalgia and mistique of the old western saloon? Are you fascinated by militaria, ethnology, transportation history, or the story of a number of other business types? If you answer "yes" to any of these questions there are Utah trade tokens for you.

Do you love rare old stuff? Most U.S. coins, for example, are considered rare when "only" a few thousand examples of a particular date/mint mark have survived. No Utah trade tokens were minted in quantities that large. Such tokens are considered rare when a tiny handful exist. Indeed, there are many "one of a kind" ultimate rarities when it comes to such tokens.

Do you enjoy the "thrill of the hunt?" Trade tokens may show up anywhere: under the coils of a metal detector, at an antique show or flea market, or in that old cigar box Grandpa used for his smaller tools. The search can be exhilarating; the find even better.

Are you emotionally tied to Utah, or to a certain part of the state? Does the thought of any collectible from Pine Valley or Paradise or Sunshine or Kamas conjure in your mind special emotions or feelings? Many Utah token collectors concentrate on trade tokens from a town, group of towns, county, mining district, or other region of the state.

If you metal-detect, bottle-dig, or relic-hunt, you are in a better position than almost anyone to find and collect Utah trade tokens.

more information





Do you enjoy comradery with a club or group? Did you know that one of Utah's "coin clubs" has been organized by and for Utah trade token enthusiasts?

Are you more interested in a hobby if there is a catalog and/or price guide to help the beginner find his way? Did you know that there is a Utah trade token encyclopedia (now in its third edition) and a complete Utah trade token town list for your persual and instruction?

Do you like collectibles which are easy to store? Utah trade tokens fit in standard 2"x2"s, then standard 2"x2" plastic pages or storage boxes.

Do you like a collectible with investment potential? Demand is strong and prices for Utah trade tokens have eased upward, particularly for better pieces. While nobody collects trade tokens to get rich, discriminating collectors can hope to lose no money over time, and maybe make a little. Who knows what the infusion of a few dozen new collectors into the market would do to token values? And, each new collector opens new doors to new tokens that would otherwise be unavailable.

Utah trade tokens are rare, wonderful, exciting, sometimes elusive, bits of history with a local flavor and a charm of their own. Their pursuit can be emotionally charged, as collectors vie for the best examples, but also very rewarding. What other collectible can offer such history in such a small space?

For this, and other reaseons, you can see why we say: Good Hunting!! Collecting Utah trade tokens may be a hobby for you!

#### The National Utah Token Society



**WARNING: COLLECTING TRADE TOKENS CAN BE HABIT FORMING. CONSULT WITH FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES BEFORE YOU START.**





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Dedicated to the Collecting, Recording, and Preservation  
of Tokens and Medals.



Did you ever ride a bus, streetcar, ferry, or cross a toll bridge that required you to use a token? If you did, what you used is called a vecture. If you lived in Salt Lake City back around 1901 . . . The Good Old Days . . . a man with a thirst walked into a nearby Saloon and got a drink; chances are he paid for it with a coin called a Trade Token! Perhaps you were one of those persons born lucky and didn't have to carry a good luck coin, like many did in the 1920 - 30 period. Perhaps you know of someone who won a medal!

Would you like a three dimensional view of history and a hobby that is relatively inexpensive, highly intriguing, extremely interesting, rewarding, and fascinating? Then how about prospecting for the thousands of little treasures known as Tokens?! Largely overlooked by collectors, tokens, checks, scrip - call them what you will - may still be found all around you. If you would, then come join the NATIONAL UTAH TOKEN SOCIETY and become a token NUT.

So what is a token? Simply put, it is usually a coin struck and used by private business. A piece of metal stamped and exchanged for a higher value than the metal is worth or stamped with other wording and used for various purposes instead of money. There are tokens that say, "Good for a Drink", "Good for a Cigar", "Good for 12  $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in Trade", and even "Good for 10 sticks of Powder", plus dozens of different needs. Actually, tokens were made out of most common metals: brass, white metal, aluminum, copper, but also they were created from paper, fibre, cardboard, celluloid, wood, and lately plastic. Just about all shapes are represented, round, octagonal, square, petal (scalloped), and many have different types of cut-outs in the center. Up to now, just under 4,000 have been discovered by collectors from towns and cities all over Utah, and it is estimated a possible 20,000 any more may be laid in the ground, in boxes in dark corners, or hidden in trunks in attics. Many are found by metal detector enthusiasts, bottle diggers, or the average householder in drawers. Pieces may be purchased for a little as ten cents, some up into higher figures.

Medals are a facinating collectible with a wide field of study open to the discerning collector. They cover a most interesting and instructive scope and have such a personal link. There is something thrilling and satisfying to have a medal won by men who took part in battles, or who formed part of a team as did early Mormon Pioneers in the founding of Utah. Although still a very new field, they are now commanding interest.





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The following is a list of Token and Medal specialties which are known under the general name of " EXONUMIA " :



## TOKEN SPECIALTIES



### TOKENS OF PEOPLE:

Dewey, Admiral George  
Kennedy, John F  
Lincoln, Abraham  
Roosevelt, Franklin D  
Washington, George

### TOKENS BY ISSUER OR ORGANIZATION:

American Numismatic Assn  
American Vecturist Assn  
Elks  
Franklin Mint  
Hickey Brothers  
Knights of Columbus  
Ku Klux Klan  
Moose Lodge

### TOKENS OF PLACES

( geographical areas or  
by nationalities)  
United States - General  
U.S. by State  
U.S. Territory  
U.S. by any other area:  
Australia  
British Commonwealth  
Canada - General  
Canada by province  
Foreign  
Israel  
Mexico  
Panama  
West Indies

### TOKENS BY KIND:

Advertising  
Advertising Buttons  
Advertising Checks  
Advertising Mirrors  
Amusement  
Art

Bank  
Bawdy House  
Beer  
Bimetallic  
Boorgeld  
Box Dollars  
Brewery  
Bridge  
Brunswick Pool Checks  
Bryan Money  
Calendar  
Canning Company  
Car Wash  
CCC Camp  
Charge Coins  
Christmas  
Circus, Shows & Parks  
Civil War - General  
Civil War - by kind  
Coal Mine  
Coin Club  
Coin Weights  
Colonial  
Communion  
Computing Jettons  
Corn Palace  
Counterstamp - General  
Counterstamp - by kind:  
Dairy  
Dated  
Dental, Drug and Pharmacy  
Department Store Change  
Depression Scrip  
Diesinker Cards  
Elongated Coins  
Embossed  
Emergency Money  
Encased Coins  
Encased Stamps  
Error  
Explosive Checks  
Exposition & Fairs - General

Expositions & Fairs - by kind  
Fire Department  
Flipping Items  
Food Stamp Change  
Gambling  
Game Counters  
Gaming House Chips  
Hacienda  
Hard Rubber  
Hard Times-General  
Hard Times-By Kind  
Historic  
Hudson Bay  
Incuse  
Indian Trader  
Insurance  
Jettons-General  
Jettons-by kind  
Jewish & Judaica  
Kettle and Keep Your Temper  
Lords Prayer  
Lost & Found  
Love Coins  
Lumber Company  
Magic & Magician  
Masons and Masonic  
Maverick  
Merchants Trade - General  
Merchants Trade - by state  
Merchants Trade - by kind  
Military Chits & Scrip  
Military Dog Tags  
Miniature  
Mirror Cards  
Music  
Notgeld  
Odd & Curious  
Odd Shaped  
OPA  
Parking  
Personal  
Pictorial





Pin Backs - General  
 Pin Backs - by kind  
 Plantation  
 Play Money  
 Political  
 Political Buttons  
 Post Trader  
 Prison  
 Prisoner of War Money  
 President - U.S.  
 Railroad  
 Radio Premium  
 Ration  
 Real Estate  
 Red Cross Shoe  
 Sales Tax  
 Saloon  
 School Lunchroom  
 Scouting ( Boy S., Girl S.)  
 Scrip Shell Cards  
 Slavery  
 Soap  
 Space  
 Spiel Marken  
 Spinner  
 Sports  
 Steamship  
 Store Cards - General  
 Store Cards - by kind  
 Sutler Scrip  
 Swastika  
 Telephone  
 Theater  
 Transportation - General  
 Transportation - by kind  
 Whiskey  
 Wooden Money  
 Worlds Fair: See Expositions  
 and Fairs  
 Zodiac  
 Token Literature (Numismatic  
 Books)



### MEDALS OF PEOPLE

Columbus, Christopher  
 Cook, Captain James  
 Dewey, Admiral George  
 Franklin, Benjamin  
 Kennedy, John F.  
 Hitler, Adolph  
 Lincoln, Abraham  
 Luther, Martin  
 Napoleon



# MEDAL SPECIALTIES

### MEDALS BY ARTISTS:

Engravers, Diesinkers, Medal-  
 ists & Sculptors - General  
 Barber, Charles  
 Brenner, Victor D.  
 Fraser, James E.  
 Furst, Moritz  
 Gobrecht, Christian  
 Morgan, George T.  
 Paquet, Anthony C.  
 Saint-Gaudens, Augustus  
 Wright, Charles C.

### MEDALS OF PLACES:

(Geographical areas or by nationali-  
 ties)  
 United States - General  
 U.S. - by State  
 U.S. - by any other area  
 Australia  
 British Commonwealth  
 Canada  
 Europe - General  
 Foreign  
 France  
 Italy  
 Israel  
 Mexico  
 New Zealand

### MEDALS BY ISSUER ( MAK- ER OR ISSUING ORGANIZA- TION)

American Legion  
 American Numismatic Assn  
 American Numismatic Society  
 Canadian Numismatic Assn  
 Circle of Friends of the Medal-  
 lion  
 Elks  
 Franklin Mint  
 Gorham Company  
 Heraldic Art  
 Knights of Columbus  
 Ku Klux Klan  
 Medallie Art Company  
 National Commemorative Soc  
 Paris Mint

Society of Medalists  
 Tiffany & Co  
 Token & Medal Soc  
 United States Mint  
 U.S. Mint - Early ( by Julia  
 VFW  
 Whitehead & Hoag

### MEDALS BY KIND:

Advertising  
 Agriculture  
 American Bicentennial  
 American Independence  
 Americana  
 Animals  
 Architecture & Buildings  
 Art  
 Astronomy  
 Atomic Energy  
 Automobile  
 Aviation  
 Badges - General  
 Badges - by kind  
 Bank  
 Betts  
 Beverage  
 Birds  
 Books ( on medals)  
 Box Medals  
 Bridges & Highways  
 Calendar & Time  
 Canadiana  
 Chemistry  
 Christmas  
 Churches & Temples  
 Circus  
 Civil War & Confederacy  
 Coca Cola  
 Coin Club  
 Colonial  
 Communication  
 Conservation & Forestry  
 Costumes & Textiles  
 Counterstamped  
 Decorations  
 Dentistry  
 Drug & Pharmacy  
 Electricity  
 Electronics







Error  
 Exploration  
 Expositions & Fair - General  
 Expositions & Fair - by kind:  
 Famine  
 Famous First Females  
 Firefighting  
 Flags & Banners  
 Food & Nutrition  
 Fraternal  
 Genealogy  
 Geography  
 Geology & Mineralogy  
 Gold Medals  
 Graphic Arts  
 Hairdressing  
 Hats & Headgear  
 Heraldry  
 Heroism  
 Historic  
 Holidays  
 Horticulture  
 Inaugural  
 Indian Peace  
 Indian War  
 Insignia & Emblems - General  
 Insignia & Emblems - by kind  
 Insurance  
 Inventions & Inventors  
 Iwo Jima Flag Raising  
 Jewish & Judaica  
 Journalism  
 Juvenile  
 Labor  
 Lamps & Lighting Devices  
 Languages  
 Law & Justice  
 Lifesaving  
 Longevity  
 Magic & Magicians  
 Mardi Gras  
 Maps & Globes  
 Marine Life  
 Marriage Medals  
 Masons & Masonic  
 Medicine  
 Military - General  
 Military - by kind  
 Mining & Metallurgy  
 Miniature  
 Motherhood  
 Music  
 Mythology  
 Natural History  
 Naval

Negro & Black Americans  
 Numismatics (on medals)  
 Odd & Curious  
 Olympic  
 Optics  
 Papal  
 Patina Finishes  
 Peace  
 Personal  
 Petroleum  
 Photography  
 physics  
 Poetry  
 Political - General  
 Political - by kind  
 Portraits  
 Portraits - Female  
 Presidents - U.S.  
 Psychiatry & Psychology  
 Public & Utilities  
 Radio & Television  
 Reptiles  
 Research  
 Satirical & Humorous  
 Science  
 Scouting  
 Sculpture  
 Seals & Trademarks  
 Self Portraits  
 Ships  
 So - Called Dollars  
 Space  
 Spanish American War  
 Sports - General  
 Sports - by kind  
 Symbols  
 Talismantic (Good Luck)  
 Temperance  
 Theatre and the Dance  
 Transportation  
 United Nations  
 United States Government  
 U.S. Assay  
 Unusual Compositions  
 Unusual Shapes  
 Veterinary  
 War  
 Watch Fob - General  
 Watch Fob - by kind  
 Weapons & Armor  
 World War II  
 Zeppelin  
 Zodiac & Astrology  
 Medal Literature  
 (Numismatic Books)

### NEWS YOU CAN USE:

A token bearing a business name and or address intended for local commerce is a store card.

A New England Stiver is an illegitimate copper token, said to have been used by Dutch merchants in New England in the 17th century.

Maverick - is a term given to a token coin which does not give enough information as to its origin.

Vecturist is a term given to a person who collects tokens related to Transportation.

A Spinner token is one with a nipple at its center which allows it to spin on a flat surface.

Exonumist is a person who specializes in the collection of tokens and medals.

Numismatics is the Science and History of Coins, Tokens and Medals and related items.

N.U.T.S. (National Utan Token Society) .... This means you and your friends!



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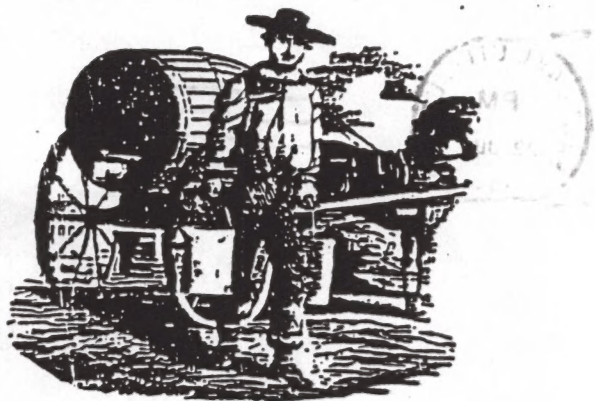
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